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We are a young Australian family who have invested our savings and mortgaged our family home to start our small business in the taxi industry.

We thought Australia was a strong, safe Country lead by a strong, supportive, fair Government. Are we wrong???

Our Government has, and continues to let us down. They have, and continue to show NO support for the Australian people who financially depend on the Taxi Industry and who have worked and continue to work tireless hours to support their families. Our laws and legislations are meant to protect us, however you allow an offshore illegal company to bully and manipulate our system to benefit themselves, provide revenue to another Country and destroy the lives of hard working Australians. Our Government is a joke to them and will continue to be unless you make the necessary changes to legislation and show them the full force of our laws. They do NOT provide a cheaper more convenient service, they do NOT provide a safe reliable service and they do NOT support the people of Australia.

We are not afraid of Uber and other ride sharing apps that are attempting to take over, why should we be??? We know we provide a reliable, safe service. We know we abide by all the laws and we know we have the support from the community. What we don't know and what is frustrating, most upsetting and what we ARE afraid of is whether we have the support from our Government. Uber has come in guns blazing because they are afraid of what we can do to them. Just because they have the money behind them they think they are unstoppable....It's time for you to prove them wrong. Why wait for the review to be completed before you take action, show us how good of a Government you claim to be. You have the power to make a difference so do so....

I am writing today to state the obvious facts and to show our immense support for Mr Rob Katter's Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015.

Taxi Industry

- Abides by laws and legislations
- Has Class 3 CTP Insurance
- Correct Registration
- Conducts criminal and security checks on all drivers
- Has 6 monthly Vehicle inspections
- Safety equipment
- Drivers undergo an accredited RTO training course
- Provides a reliable, safe, efficient service
- Pays GST
- Pays taxes on income
- Requires licence plates to operate

## Uber

• None of the above

We are very appreciative of Mr Rob Katter's support and his willingness to stand up for the Taxi Industry. We can only hope that you (Our Government) stands up for what is right and vote in Mr Rob Katter's Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015.

Kind Regards,

Nick & Barbara Meli

Hello,

Please find attached our submission supporting the Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015.

Kind Regards,

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